UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte: HIDEAKI SAKAI, JUN KOHORI and MASAHIRO KATADA

Appeal No. 2007-2277 Application No. 10/083,387 MAILED
SEP 28 2007

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

This Image File Wrapper (IFW) application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on June 1, 2005. A docketing Notice was mailed and <u>Appeal Number 2007-2277</u> was assigned on May 3, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for consideration of the appeal, therefore, the application is herewith being remanded to the Examiner. The matter requiring attention is identified below.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Appellant filed three Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) dated February 27, 2002, August 6, 2203 and July 23, 2007. The above Information Disclosure Statements have not been acknowledged or considered by the examiner. A written communication notifying appellant of the Examiner's consideration is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for:

- 1) consideration and proper written response to the identified Information Disclosure Statements dated February 27, 2002, August 6, 2203 and July 23, 2007, is required; and
 - 2) to notify appellants of such consideration;

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